Policy on Advocacy, Lobbying & Other Political Activity

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The Hudson County Latino Foundation (“the Foundation”) does not and shall not provide any type of support to any organization or individual that advocates or lobbies against any such protected category as stipulated in our non-discrimination policy.

The Foundation does not permit any grants and donations of any kind from individuals or legal entities to be used for type of lobbying or other political activity. This includes lobbying or advocating for or against any single person, population group, organization, or cause/issue (e.g., political position, policy, law/legislation, etc.).

Note: "Lobbying" is defined in Section 4945(e) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code to mean attempts to influence legislation through grassroots lobbying of the public or direct lobbying of government officials. Certain exceptions exist (e.g., for nonpartisan analysis or invited testimony).

"Legislation" includes all matters that may be voted upon by the U.S. Senate or House of Representatives, a state legislature, a local city or county council, an Indian tribal body, or a legislative body in a foreign nation, including votes taken by a committee of such body. Such matters may include votes to approve executive or judicial appointments of public officials as well as new laws or repeal of existing laws. "Legislation" also includes laws voted upon by the people in an initiative, referendum or other vote taken within a national, state, or local area.

"Political" refers to any payment made or action taken, directly or indirectly, to influence the outcome of any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for elective public office, including oral or written statements. Such activity is prohibited for tax-exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.